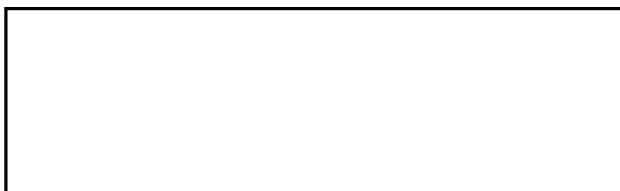


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We have suspended action on your several requests for documents pending your compliance with our request of 2 November 1973.

Sincerely,

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Angus MacLean Thuermer  
Assistant to the Director

OGC:RHL:ISAS:GFD:bec (18 Mar 74)

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## ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

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The attached proposed letter to [ ] is being forwarded through the DCI in view of his Routing Sheet comments (attached) of 8 February. Please see also [ ] memo on the subject dated 14 March.

DD M&amp;S brief 3/19/74

14 March 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: [ ]

SUBJECT : [ ] Requests

1. You have referred to us the Director's question concerning the right of the Agency to attempt to force [ ] to return to us all copies of classified documents in his possession. Specifically, in approving the proposed reply to [ ] request of 12 November for some 39 documents, which reply would make available to [ ] a majority of the documents requested (though with some minor excisions), the Director asked whether we may add as a "condition" to our reply that [ ] respond to our letter to him of 2 November 1973. In that letter, you will recall, we had advised [ ] that we could declassify and release to him documents requested by his letter of 4 September, again however with minor deletions. But we also said on 2 November "If you will return all copies you have, we will make the necessary deletions, declassify the documents, and return copies to you. Under the secrecy agreement signed by you, you may not reveal or publish any classified information or have in your possession any classified CIA documents. Accordingly, when you return the documents, you should also certify that you have no other copies and no other CIA classified documents." [ ] has not complied with that request. Rather his reply, of 12 November, which is also the request which the Director was considering when he posed this question, states that "the unilateral procedure you propose is not acceptable."

2. The Executive Order and implementing NSC Directive in no way reflect any contemplation of a situation such as this, that is, an employee taking with him and retaining classified documents and thereafter requesting their declassification while also requesting the declassification of additional documents. Insofar as those two regulations concern the right to require review for declassification, the public, not former employees, was the intended beneficiary. Further, they require that classified information be used, stored and protected in specified ways

and they also provide that only persons duly cleared and having a need to know may be given access to classified documents. The Order also provides for administrative disciplinary action against officers and employees, including referral to the Department of Justice where "a violation of criminal statutes may be involved." It is reasonable to conclude that administrative actions may be taken against former employees as well.

3. On the other hand, the Executive Order, on its face at least, contemplates that each request for declassification is to be handled on its merits. Further, although the condition suggested by the Director would be consistent with the Executive Order and our own regulations, it also would be asserting technical but not substantive principle, that is, the documents involved probably are of little security consequence even without the deletions proposed. Further, I doubt that ICRC would support us if we undertake action and the matter thereafter reaches ICRC.

4. Underlying all this is the question of whether one response on our part, rather than another, might incite [ ] to levy more requests on us or, conversely, to desist. He came forward to oppose the Colby confirmation and it may be that he is seeking notoriety. On the other hand, he may lack the resources or initiative to pursue this matter through the ICRC or the courts.

5. On balance, I believe it would not be harmful, and might be useful, to take at least one more step in an attempt to require him to return all classified documents, but I would not do so in a letter which also makes available other documents. Specifically, I would reply substantially as follows:

Dear [ ]

We have suspended action on your several requests for documents pending your compliance with our request of 2 November 1973.

Yours very truly,

Angus MacLean Thuermer

If [ ] does not reply, probably we should do nothing further. If he complies, we would have to continue to process all his requests. If he replies, but does not comply, we would have to determine what action his reply calls for.

[ ]

Associate General Counsel

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Would you please make the necessary changes, as suggested by the DCI, and forward the letter through the DD/M&S before it goes to Angus Thuermer.

*FD*  
LJD

Atts: DD/M&S 74-0425, -0426

Executive Officer to the DD/M&S  
7D 26 Hqs ☐

12 Feb 74

EO-DD/M&S: ☐ kmg (12 Feb 74)

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DD/M&S 74-0425: Memo dtd 6 Feb 74 to DCI thru EA-DCI fr DD/M&S, subj: Mandatory  
Declassification Request - ☐

DD/M&S 74-0426: Undated ltr fr A/DCI to ☐ re same subj

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4 February 1974

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6 FEB 1974

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2. *EA*  
EA/DCI

This is one of several requests levied on the Agency by

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It is being referred to Mr. Colby for decision because: (a) the recommendations from the two components which conducted the review differed significantly; (b) it is my understanding that Mr. Colby has not delegated the authority to release documents which concern Agency operations; and (c) the requester is

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The attachments consist of a letter to informing him of the outcome of the review and of the document retrieval and copying fees, plus the unclassified versions of documents (25 in all) which we propose to release.

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May we add one condition to the letter: That he respond as requested to ours of 2 Nov 73? -  
 otherwise state: "Deleted"



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DD/AFS 74-0425

6 FEB 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

THROUGH : Executive Assistant to the Director

FROM : Deputy Director for Management and Services

SUBJECT : Mandatory Declassification Request -  
[redacted]

1. Action Requested: Guidance is requested with respect to the Agency's response to [redacted] request that a second group of documents be declassified and released to him.

2. Basic Data: In a letter dated 12 November 1973, Mr. [redacted] a former Agency employee, requested the declassification of over 40 documents, several of which he originated, basing his request on Executive Order 11652. This followed an earlier request of 4 September 1973 for the declassification of five [redacted] originated documents, copies of which he provided the Senate Armed Services Committee at the time of your confirmation hearings. Following a review by Agency officials, the latter five documents were approved for release to Mr. [redacted] in sanitized form, subject to his returning the copies in his possession--which he has failed to do.

Thirty-nine of the documents requested by Mr. [redacted] in his letter of 12 November 1973 were located. The documents were reviewed by the DDO and, following that review, by the Deputy for National Intelligence Officers. Their recommendations differed. The Acting Chief of the Information Services Group, responding on behalf of the DDO, noted that seven of the documents were sourced to [redacted] and fell under exemption category 5B(1) of the Executive Order; eight documents tended to disclose intelligence sources and methods, exemption category 5B(2); 19 documents, it was believed, would

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adversely affect the U. S. national security posture if released, exemption category 5B(3); and the remaining five documents were judged releasable. The Deputy for National Intelligence Officers concurred with the DDO determination that the seven documents based on [ ] sources could not be released, and agreed to the release of the five documents approved by the DDO. Of the eight documents which the DDO regarded as exempted under 5B(2), the Deputy for National Intelligence Officers expressed some doubt as to whether four of the documents (three operational cables and one disseminated information report) were of such sensitivity as to require continued protection. With regard to the 19 documents viewed by the DDO as falling under 5B(3)--they dealt with election corruption on the part of the [ ] Government--the Deputy for National Intelligence Officers concluded that they could be released without affecting U. S. national security. (Copies of the reviewer's responses are on file in the Information Systems Analysis Staff and can be made available.)

On the basis of the recommendations received from the reviewing officers, the Information Systems Analysis Staff has prepared sanitized versions of 25 documents: the five documents deemed releasable by both reviewers, the 19 documents on which there was disagreement over the applicability of exemption category 5B(3), and one information report from among the eight documents for which the DDO claimed exemption under category 5B(2). In most respects, the selection of documents for release conforms with the recommendations of the Deputy for National Intelligence Officers. Without exception, the documents consist [ ] disseminated reports. These were sanitized by the excision of source descriptions, classification and control markings, and references to other reports. Copies are attached.

3. Recommendations: It is recommended that you approve the release of the 25 documents to Mr. [ ] in their present sanitized form.

/s/ Harold L. Brownman

HAROLD L. BROWNMAN  
Deputy Director  
for  
Management and Services

Attachments

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

DISAPPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

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**CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

**OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR**



We have completed our review of the documents requested by your letter of 12 November 1973. The majority, 25 of the 39 that we were able to locate, can be released to you with minimal excisions required under the Director's responsibility for protection of sources and methods. The releasable documents are unclassified copies of the full text in each case, thus satisfying your needs while leaving the originals in their classified form.

The remaining 14 documents requested by you were determined to fall under exemption categories 5B(1) and 5B(2) of Executive Order 11652, and hence are not releasable. This determination may be appealed by you if you wish to take the matter to the CIA Information Review Committee.

The charge for searching these documents, at \$6.00 per hour or fraction thereof, is \$12.00. In addition there is a charge of 10¢ per page for copying the documents, amounting to \$4.70. Your remittance in the amount of \$16.70 payable by check or money order to the Treasurer of the United States will release the documents to you by return mail.

Sincerely,

Angus MacLean Thuermer  
Assistant to the Director

## ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

SUBJECT: (Optional)

FROM:   
C/ISAS 2E42 HQS.

EXTENSION

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DATE 5 February 1974

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Mr. Brownman

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2. Director of  
Central Intelligence

2. For approval.

3. DDM&S  
Mr. Brownman

4. C/ISAS DX-2

This is a routine request for delegation of classification authority of National security information.

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Mr. Angus MacLean Thuermer  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Thuermer:

Thank you for your letter of 2 November 1973, in which you advise me that the Agency is able to declassify and release to me the documents requested in my letter of 4 September 1973.

Correctly, you cite my willingness for security reasons to have deleted psuedonyms, cryptonyms or true names. However, the unilateral procedure you propose is not acceptable.

It will be recalled that when the Senate Armed Services Committee requested copies of these documents, CIA said they could not be found - implying they did not exist. You and I know that CIA has the best computerized data retrieval system in the world. Also, we know that memoranda sent to the Deputy Director (Plans), who in reality is the Director of the Clandestine Services, do not get lost.

If, casually it seems, CIA attempts to decieve the United States Senate, you should not be astonished if this former career CIA officer indicates a feeling of distrust and anxiety. Also, I am not aware that Executive Order 11652 establishes preconditions for the declassification of CIA documents. My offer to accept certain deletions merely confirms that I have been more security conscious than the Agency you now represent. Do you want proof?

I request the declassification of t [redacted]  
attached below. Also the following: [redacted]

STA

the number is wrong [redacted]  
informs me you have [redacted]  
Also, my memorandum [redacted]  
President Kennedy (done with the authorization of Special  
Assistants Arthur Schlesinger and Ralph Dungan), dated March 61.

STA

You remind me of secrecy agreements. I remind you and Mr. Colby (nothing personal) that CIA is not a private company but an Agency of the US Government, answerable to the US Congress and to the American people.  
Sincerely,

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15 NOV 1973 in A/DCI

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Sincerely,

/s/ Angus Maclean Thurner

Angus Maclean Thurner  
Assistant to the Director

Drafted:ISAS:GFD:slh (25 Oct 73)  
Rewritten:OGC:R. [redacted] GFD:slh (30 Oct 73)  
Retyped:O/ADD/MSS:ms (30 Oct 73)  
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Mr. Angus MacLean Thuermer  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D.C. 20505

DD, W&S Registry  
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I request the declassification of the [redacted] attached below. Also the following [redacted]

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the number is wrong the date is right, Senate Committee Woolsey GC informs me you have located this one); [redacted] OUT 81432. Also, my memorandum on CIA [redacted] operations addressed to President Kennedy (done with the authorization of Special Assistants Arthur Schlesinger and Ralph Dungan), dated March 61.

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/s/

Angus MacLean Thuermer  
Assistant to the Director

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*center* / Angus MacLean Thuermer  
Assistant to the Director

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C/ISAS, 2E42 HQS.

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NO.

DATE

30 October 1973

TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)

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1. DD/M&S  
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Mr. Thuermer  
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1. Suspense item attached.

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[redacted] This has  
been coordinated with the  
Office of General Counsel.

3. For signature.

DD/M&S Registry  
File Security 2

Chief, ISAS  
2E 42 Hqs

[ ]  
I am sure you won't overlook  
Mr. Colby's attached handwritten comments.  
I presume that a brief memorandum response  
is called for unless you will be talking  
with him and can answer his question at  
that time. Let me know how you prefer to  
handle.

Suspense: 31 October 1973.

*1-5) LDP*  
LDP

Att: DD/M&S 73-4009

Executive Officer to the DD/M&S  
7D 26 Hqs [ ]

24 Oct 73

EO-DD/M&S: [ ] :kmg (24 Oct 73)

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DD/M&S 73-4009: Memo dtd 15 Oct 73 to DCI fr DD/M&S, subj: Declassification Request -  
Mr. [ ]

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SUSPENSE

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 Did he have them or  
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 We gave the Armed Services  
 Committee copies -  
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 letter to him should  
 refer to his secrecy  
 agreement and ask that  
 he give us any copies  
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DCI/DDCI

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ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

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FROM: Chief, Information Systems Analysis Staff, [redacted] 2E42 HQS.

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9 October 1973

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TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)

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*Re: [redacted]*

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Subsequent to the drafting of the attached memorandum, DD/O consolidated the position of the components in his Directorate and concurs with the paragraph 3 recommendation. DD/O and DD/M&S now have an agreed position and your approval is recommended.

[redacted]

Robert S. Wattles  
Acting DD/M&S

Att: DD/M&S 73-4009

*For the letter to [redacted] please include some reference to [redacted]*

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ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

SUBJECT: (Optional)

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Staff, [redacted]  
2E42 HQS.

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EO-DD/M&S [redacted] kmg (15 Oct 73)

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DD/M&S 73-4009: Memo dtd 15 Oct 73 to DCI fr DD/M&S, subj: Declassification Request [redacted]

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TRANSMITTAL SLIP		DATE 15 October 1973
TO: Mr. Wattles		
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## MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Operations

Bill:

I would appreciate a consolidated  
DD/O position on the attached paper ASAP.

*15/ Harold*  
Harold L. Brownman

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MEMORANDUM FOR: DDM & S

Harold:

DD/O concurs in the recommendation  
to the Director made in Paragraph  
3 of your attached memorandum  
on the  declassification request.

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12 OCT 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Operations

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Harold L. Brownman

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DD/M&S 73-4009

C.R. 73-6554

15 OCT 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
FROM : Deputy Director for Management and Services  
SUBJECT : Declassification Request - Mr. [REDACTED]

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1. Action Requested: Guidance is requested with respect to the Agency's response to Mr. [REDACTED] request that five memoranda, written by him during his tenure with the Agency, be declassified.

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2. Basic Data: In a letter dated 4 September 1973, Mr. [REDACTED] a former DDO employee, requested the declassification of five memoranda, basing his request on Executive Order 11652. Mr. [REDACTED] wrote that he had no objection to deletions if they were based upon valid security considerations.

Mr. [REDACTED] as you know, has these documents in his possession and, at the time of your confirmation hearings, presented copies of them to the Senate Armed Services Committee. The 15 July 1973 [REDACTED] had also given copies to "some newsmen."

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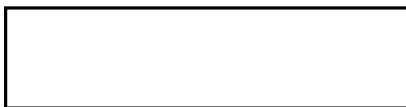
The documents were reviewed by EA Division, which recommended the release of unclassified (i.e., sanitized) versions of all five memoranda, and by the [REDACTED] which recommended against releasing any of them. The Information Services Group, which coordinated the DDO response, recommended the declassification of only one of the memoranda, that dated 15 December 1961. (Copies of the five [REDACTED] memoranda and related correspondence are attached.)

In view of the fact that the memoranda have already been provided to a Senate Committee and, presumably, distributed to the press, I believe that the interests of the Agency would be best served by releasing unclassified versions of the documents, after the excision of all still sensitive materials.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 01-11-01 BY 1045 GPO

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3. Recommendation: It is recommended that you approve the release of the documents, subject to the deletions specified by the Chief, EA Division.



*JL* HAROLD L. BROWNMAN  
Deputy Director  
for  
Management and Services

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APPROVED: /s/ W E Colby 20 Oct. 1973

DISAPPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

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Assistant to the Director  
CIA  
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Dear Sir:

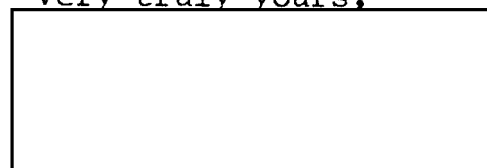
Reference is made to Title 32, National Defense, Chapter XIX - CIA - Part 1900 - etc., Executive Order 11652.

It is requested that the documents identified below be declassified. I classified them, and they bear my name.

There is no objection to the deletion of any psuedonyms, cryptonyms or true names, for security reasons, provided the intent is not to distort or hide the truth.

If these memoranda have been shredded, copies may be obtained from the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Very truly yours,



former employee

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Memo for:



✓ Memo for:

✓ Memo for: A-2 "The Attached Paper on Operations in South Vietnam" 1 November '61 (ask for attachment)

✓ Memo for: DDP "Recent Memoranda on South Vietnam" 15 December '61

Memo for: DDP "A Proposal for the Creation of a Policy Staff for the DDP" 15 December '61

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5-7 Believe you should read before you talk to Subject. Although most of the criticism is apparently leveled at me, I fear the paper long without further comment. - unless of course you wish me to comment.

JP

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Jim

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01 OCT 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Classification Programs Branch

SUBJECT: Mandatory Declassification Request

REFERENCE: Your Memorandum dated 11 September 1973,  
Same Subject

1. The five memoranda attached to the referent request have been reviewed for possible declassification. A decision has been made to deny declassification on all except the memorandum dated 15 December 1961 which may be declassified. The decision to retain classification on the four remaining memoranda is based particularly on paragraph 5B(2) of EO 11652, however, the memoranda dated 5 October 1961 also contains information furnished by a foreign government and thus paragraph 5B(1) would apply.

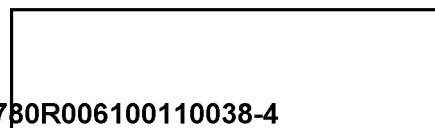
2. While it is true that these memoranda are largely opinions of the author, the opinions expressed concern persons, plans, policy, and operations of this Agency which would be jeopardized by declassification and public disclosure. We also recognize that, given the critical nature of the comments, the Agency could be accused of an attempted "cover-up." This has not been our purpose in denying declassification.

3. A completed Form 3533 is returned herewith.



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Attachments



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19 September 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy for Information Management  
Information Services Group

SUBJECT: Declassification Request

ATTN:

1. Per our telephone conversation of 18 September the following are my comments on the request for declassification of Agency documents from

2. In general I am opposed in principle to:

- a) establishing any precedent for a former Agency employee (retired or fired) being able to have his "personal" Agency documents declassified.
- b) aiding a malicious malcontent in public attacks on the Agency and its senior officers by providing Agency documents for this purpose.

3. If not already done, the  request with accompanying documentation should also be sent to East Asia Division for comment.

4. The  documents should be exempt from declassification per EO-11652 particularly category 5B(2) and at least in one case his memorandum of 5 October 1961 which makes reference to  reports should be exempt under category 5B(1).

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5X1 5. I note that [ ] in his letter to the Agency requesting declassification of these documents, says "If these memoranda have been shredded, copies can be obtained from the Senate Armed Services Committee." It would be interesting to know how these documents came into the hands of the Senate Armed Services Committee. If they were provided by the Agency in response to [ ] accusations, there is obviously no problem. If on the other hand [ ] provided the Committee with the documents, there is a question of his unauthorized removal of Agency documents from Agency files and the possibility, if this is the case, that he may have removed documents other than those listed. This matter should be reviewed by the appropriate authorities for its security and legal implications.

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